SENATE BILL 1813

By Yarbro

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 16 and Title 40, Chapter 14, Part 2, relative to payment of appointed counsel.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 16-3-808, is amended by adding the following language as a new subsection:

(e) The administrative office of the courts shall pay appointed counsel within thirty (30) days from the time a judicially approved claim is submitted in accordance with Rule 13, § 6 of the Rules of the Supreme Court of Tennessee, unless the claim is deemed to be extended or complex, in which case such claim shall be paid within sixty (60) days from the time the judicially approved claim is submitted.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 40-14-207(a), is amended by adding the following language to the end of the subsection:

The administrative office of the courts shall pay attorneys within thirty (30) days from the time a judicially approved claim is submitted in accordance with Rule 13, § 6 of the Rules of the Supreme Court of Tennessee, unless the claim is deemed to be extended or complex, in which case such claim shall be paid within sixty (60) days from the time the judicially approved claim is submitted.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2016, the public welfare requiring it, and shall apply to claims submitted on or after that date.